

## Present Blue Cross To Anza Civilians

Because of the marked interest on the part of Camp Anza civilian employees in the Blue Cross Hospital Plan and the California Physicians' Service, arrangements are now being made to present this doctor-hospital non-profit plan to civilian workers in the not too distant future.

Negotiations for the plan's presentation are being carried on by H. E. Speer, Chief, Civilian Personnel Branch, and Thomas Stoddard, field representative for Blue Cross-CPS. When plans have been completed they will be announced in later editions of the Zip.

One of the reasons Camp Anza employees desire this doctor-hospital sponsored protection, it was said, was because many other Army groups who have had Blue Cross-CPS protection found the plan to be the best of its kind in existence today.

Blue Cross-CPS members, it was pointed out, receive an almost unlimited coverage against the cost of hospital and doctors' surgical bills without red tape or unnecessary delays.

**No Physical**  
For instance, there is no physical examination required prior to or after enrollment; there is no age limit for employees; members may continue service after leaving Camp Anza, and free choice of doctors and hospitals is guaranteed.

What was termed as the most outstanding feature of the plan is that it covers all existing ailments of prospective members. This means that if hospitalization or surgery needed prior to enrollment it will be fully covered after membership has been consummated.

According to Blue Cross - CPS spokesmen more than \$2,500,000 have been paid out in the last year in doctors' and hospital bills for its 350,000 members here in California. Nationally, the figure was more than \$70,000,000 for the same period. The national enrollment is now close to 18,000,000 members.

Being an organization of, for and by the people and dedicated to the welfare of the community and nation, Blue Cross-CPS has received the backing of management, labor, civic leaders and Army and Navy officers.

Thomas Stoddard, Blue Cross representative, will be available latter part of this month to fully explain the Blue Cross-CPS plan to all civilian employees at Camp Anza. Any civilian employee who has been employed at this camp for more than 90 days is eligible for the service.

## Blood Needed at Norco Hospital

The Corora Naval Hospital at Norco needs blood badly. YOUR BLOOD. The lives of men wounded in the Pacific theater of war depend on YOUR response to the naval hospital's appeal for blood donors.

Any Anza military or civilian employees who will donate their blood are urged to notify their section head or officer in charge.

Transportation to and from the naval hospital will be furnished and permission to leave the job will be granted to those who give blood. All types of blood are needed. If you wish to become a donor, notify your chief immediately. Individuals will be notified when final plans are completed for transportation to the hospital.

## Conservation Of Fuel Oil Up To Individual

Calling attention to an order from the Secretary of War to "take immediate action to restrict use of all fuels, heat, light and power to a minimum consistent with health and military necessity," Major John Cumarelas, post conservation officer, points out that Station Complement officers and enlisted men can make individual efforts in this direction by placing emphasis on:

- Proper operation of cooking and water heating equipment.
- Minimum consumption of electrical energy.
- Elimination of water waste, particularly hot water.
- Planning of activities so as to reduce utility requirements to a minimum.

The use of fuel does not stop with the coming of hot weather, although Camp Anza consumes only half the fuel oil in the summer that it uses during the winter months. For comparison, Major Cumarelas showed that this installation consumed 233,503 gallons of fuel oil in January as compared to the consumption of 120,012 gallons during June.

During summer months fuel oil is used exclusively for cooking and heating water, but even for these two purposes there can be a substantial saving of fuel, according to Major Cumarelas.

The responsibility for conserving fuel rests with every individual stationed here, he declared. "Hot water running needlessly down the drain pipes, particularly while shaving, is oil wasted."

Major Cumarelas has directed mess officers to conduct continued inspections of their mess halls to insure that oil burning equipment is in good condition and that no oil is wasted. All section heads are requested to continue inspections of hot water facilities to insure that oil is not wasted through leaky water spigots.

"The more fuel oil we save during the summer months will be that much more available to use next winter for our comfort."

## Hollywood Stars To Play Here Tonight

A list of stars that are box office magic throughout the country will spell socko entertainment at the outdoor theater in Area A tonight at 2000. The Hollywood Victory Committee has pulled another great unit and is sending it Camp Anza way.

## ISU Garden Produces 23 Kinds of Food

An experiment to produce a vegetable garden out of Camp Anza's hard packed ground has been successfully accomplished by Captain John Wheless' Eighth Italian Service Unit.

No less than three "natives" who have viewed the ISU garden have called it an agricultural marvel. Capt. Wheless provided the seeds and the Italians furnished the labor and today the garden is producing prodigiously 23 varieties of vegetables. Planted in an area of 61 by 129 feet are such vegetables as beans, peas, radishes, squash, potatoes, tomatoes, corn, carrots, beets, onions, lettuce, turnips, cabbage, swiss chard, spinach, watermelon, cantaloupe, muskmelon, sweet-pepper, celery and strawberries. Corn is the only vegetable that did not turn out well.

All food from the garden is used exclusively in the ISU mess hall and has helped considerably in the daily bill of fare, according to Capt. Wheless.

Most of the credit for the garden goes to Angelo Grossi, who was a farmer back in Italy before the war. He was assisted mainly by Gregorio Negro and occasionally by Luigi "Pop" Nunzianti. All labor put into the garden was during off duty hours. Other ISUs too numerous to mention

Though as is the custom, the committee could not reveal the names of the headliners in this showman-packed cast, we've been tipped-off that some of the foremost stars of stage, screen and radio are included in tonight's offering. Considering that the Victory Committee draws its talent from the top drawer of the entertainment world, and recalling that its previous presentations have been among the tops in "In Person" entertainment, Anzites can look forward to a bright evening among the stars.

### All Soldier Show

Monday night the entertainment section of Camp Anza's Special Service staff augmented by Arthur and Dorothy Todd, radio favorites, will present the sixth edition of their ever-popular GI Variety Show on the stage of the Outdoor Theater at 2000.

GI's who had the good fortune of witnessing the other five editions of this all-soldier show feel it is the equal of the best variety shows presented at any army post extant. All members of this presentation are professionals who are slated to be among the country's outstanding talent when they resume their civilian status.

## Popular Officer Leaves for Port

With the best wishes of all officers and enlisted men who have had the privilege of working with and knowing him, Major Max J. Durham leaves Camp Anza, where he has spent eight happy months, for the Los Angeles Port of Embarkation. His transfer, however, will fit him like a glove, as previous to his Army career he worked for the Long Beach Harbor Department which has been taken over for the duration by the LAPE. Many of his long-standing friends who are still employed by the Long Beach Harbor Department will be very happy to have the Major back in the fold again.

Long Beach has been the home of Major Durham for the past 37 years. He attended high school there and studied engineering at UCLA. While at the University, he received a reserve officers infantry commission. After his college years he did ten years of engineering work up and down the Gold Coast. Seven of them were spent in the construction of the Metropolitan Water District Aqueduct.

In the spring of 1940, he went to Fort Benning, Ga., for three months' intensive infantry training. In October, 1940, he joined the Army of the United States and was occupied in the construction of the Cantonment at Fort Lewis, Washington, where he traded in his one silver bar for two. He attained his majority in August of 1942 at Fort Stevens, Oregon.

He arrived at Camp Anza in January, 1945, and took over his duties as Post Engineer. He will be missed especially by those who were with him on those pleasant evenings at the Bowling Alley, where he kegled like a house-afire and turned a phrase with the best of them.

## He's Only 16, So Army Sends 'Nicky' Home

He hasn't 85 points, he is not 40, and he is in good physical shape, yet Pvt. Clyde E. Adams of the Casual Detachment is going home soon to St. Louis—as a civilian. How? He's underage. In fact he is only 16 years old. His age was discovered shortly after he arrived at this camp.

His friends call him "Nicky" ever since he broke his arm while roller skating. He's a high school roller skating champ.

Last January "Nicky" reported to his draft board and told them he was 18. They believed him because he is six foot one. He was only 15 at the time, celebrating his 16th birthday last May 27. "My mother didn't mind, but my father was mad," says Pvt. Adams. But his father didn't, and couldn't, stop him because he is overseas with an engineer outfit in the Philippines. When he did know it was too late because his son was already starting basic training at Camp Fannin, Texas. "My dad cooled off after a while."

"Nicky" says he has enjoyed the army. "It has been a great experience." He will return to high school this fall as a junior and after he gets his diploma he says he will try to get into the Army engineers.

From Camp Fannin, "Nicky" was sent to Fort Riley, Kansas, and then to Fort Ord, Calif., where he was an acting platoon

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## Leads Zips in Quest of the NSC Title



Captain Alan Feld, coach-player of the Zips, is leading the Camp Anza softball team in quest of their second Ninth Service Command Softball Championship in the Southern District Tournament which opened yesterday at Van Nuys. Feld, who plays a stylish game at first base for the Zips, is currently batting for .250.



## Mail Xmas Parcels Prior To Oct. 15

Now is not too soon for you to start your Christmas shopping for those in the armed forces overseas, says Postal Officer William L. Smith.

He announced this week that Christmas parcels for Army personnel overseas must be mailed during the period beginning September 15, and ending October 15, the earlier the better. Parcels destined for delivery in the CBI theater, the Middle East and islands in the Pacific should be mailed as early as possible during the period stated, preferably not later than October 1, in view of the distances involved.

During this period requests from the addressees are not required in connection with Christmas parcels mailed to Army personnel. Patrons should indorse each gift parcel "Christmas Parcel." Special effort will be made to effect delivery of all Christmas parcels mailed during the periods stated above in time for Christmas.

Christmas cards for Army personnel overseas may be mailed at any time but patrons must mail such cards prior to November 15, if they are to have a reasonable expectation of delivery prior to Christmas. The War Department advises that greeting cards for soldiers overseas must be sent in sealed envelopes and prepaid at the first-class rate.

Since Navy, Coast Guard, and Marine Corps personnel may receive parcels without a request at any time of the year, it is not the policy of the Navy Department to encourage the mailing of parcels during any particular period of time each year. The Navy Department suggests, however, that parcels intended as Christmas gifts be mailed not later than October 15.

Christmas parcels for armed forces personnel shall not exceed five pounds in weight or 15 inches in length or 36 inches in length and girth combined. Members of the armed forces are amply provided with food and clothing and the public is urged not to include such matter in gift parcels. Full information on preparation of boxes, prohibited articles, and preferred method of addressing parcels, postage, permissible additions, insurance and registry, and use of money orders will be posted on the bulletin board in the camp civilian postoffice for the guidance of all camp personnel.

## ISU Garden

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have puttered in the garden at times.

Breaking the ground was the hardest part of starting the garden. A grader from the Post Engineer helped to soften the soil, and men on extra duty tackled it with pick and shovel.

The addition of ten loads of fertilizer and sand prepared the garden for the seed. The garden flourished under tender care and sufficient irrigation although during the recent hot weather the garden has withered slightly.

Capt. Wheelless feels that the garden has been a big morale factor. Even if some of the boys don't work in it, they like to walk through it and see the things growing. In fact the Captain admits that he is a converted victory gardener. He has never had a garden but now that he has seen how it is done, he plans to have a garden himself after the war.

## Workin' on De Railroad

Pfc. Joseph Shackelford, Army Postoffice Clerk, is on a 60-day furlough to work on the railroads, along with some 4,000 other GIs who have been drawn from the Army ranks to ease the critical labor situation facing transportation facilities. He went to Chicago for assignment to Council Bluffs, Iowa, where he is working as an electrician for the Northwestern Railroad.

## Personal Affairs

By S-Sgt. William Schramm

In two previous articles the Personal Affairs Office discussed the chief obstacles to buying a home, its expense and the danger of losing the investment through foreclosure.

Now let us look at the brighter side of the picture and see what the guaranteed long term loan features of the GI Bill of Rights means to you.

In recent years it has been made easier for people to buy homes by: 1. Increasing the size of the first mortgage, thus largely doing away with costly second and third mortgages. 2. Lowering the interest rates. 3. Amortizing the mortgage—that is, making the principal payable in small regular installments over an extended period instead of in one lump sum. These changes have been accomplished largely with the help of the Federal Government.

Buying a house is now about the same process as buying an automobile on the finance plan—putting a portion of the purchase price down and paying the balance in regular installments. Of course the house costs much more and takes longer to pay for.

Less than 15 years ago interest rates—including special handling fees on mortgages—ranged from 6.2 percent a year in some states to 15.3 in others. Compare that with the maximum rate permitted to be charged on a government guaranteed loan and you will readily see that on interest alone a huge saving is possible. The GI Bill states that the Government will not guarantee a principal loan unless the interest rate is four percent or less.

Under present conditions the obstacles to home ownership are diminishing. Interest rates have come down and it is easier to get large-size loans. The GI Bill does not limit the amount you can actually borrow. It simply states how much may be guaranteed.

Here is an example of how much you would have to repay each month if you wanted to buy a \$6,000 house and pay for it in ten years. Assume that the Veterans Administration was willing to guarantee the maximum of \$2,000. Also assume that you had \$1,000 in cash to use as a down payment.

Cost of Home .....	\$6,000
Less Down Payment ..	\$1,000

Balance Total Loan ....	\$5,000
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Monthly repayment of principal and interest on a \$5,000 loan at four percent for 120 months—\$50.65. However, the Veterans Administration will pay the interest on the guaranteed portion of the loan for the first year. Accordingly, your loan payment plan would be as follows:

Monthly payments for first year	\$44.23.
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Monthly payments for remaining nine years	\$50.65.
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These payments would cover your principal and interest. Tax and insurance payments, as well as original loan costs, are excluded from this example but provision for them may be included in your loan if you so desire.

## Anza's Reputation Global, Says Hicks

Camp Anza's reputation as an outstanding staging area of the Transportation Corps is global, according to Major Milton E. Hicks who recently returned from a round-the-world trip as an Army Transportation Officer on a troop carrying transport.

Everywhere he went in his 25,000 mile junket, Major Hicks said he met officers and enlisted men whose last contact with the states was at Camp Anza, and "their praise for this installation was the highest." Major Hicks told of his experiences at last week's orientation lecture in the main theater. He was interviewed by Lt. Ray B. Azeltine, Orientation Officer.

## 19 Critical Jobs Keep GIs in Army

The policy of the War Department is to discharge all personnel with 85 points or more "as soon as enough qualified replacements are available to fill all essential jobs," it has been announced in Washington.

There are some MOSs, according to the department, in which there are temporary shortages, and these MOSs change every month. Men with these specialties will be retained as long as necessary.

Nineteen categories exist in which there is a possible long-term shortage. Says the WD: "It is not likely that men in these 19 categories can be replaced and released from the Army in the next 12 months, the period necessary to complete the discharge of men in all parts of the world who are eligible for discharge under the point system." The scarce MOSs, however, have been reduced from 23 to 19 since May. Efforts to train men in these specialties are being made.

The 19 critical jobs: Powerhouse engineer; marine engineer; telephone repeater man; translator, interpreter and voice interceptor, (Asiatic languages); orthopedic mechanic; radio intelligence control chief; radio traffic analyst; intercept operator; weather observer-teletype technician; transmitter attendant (fixed station); intercept operator (fixed station); cryptographic repairman (Class I and II); cryptanalysis technician; radar repairman for gunlaying equipment (instructor); radar repairman for reporting equipment (instructor); acoustic technician; electroencephalographic specialist.



Housty Speer led a grunion hunting party to the beach recently but all they got was WET... Mr. Speer, determined to return with at least one fish, purchased one for a dollar and then passed it around the civilian personnel office for everyone to see and sniff. The office cat finally ate it. Quite an expensive meal for a feline... There were a lot of clean faces in civilian personnel last Saturday following a watermelon feast on the patio... Esther Paul, the "blind date girl" and Pfc. Benny Aron are regular patrons of the Riverside miniature golf course... Lee Reeves, unbeknown to her motor pool associates, is taking up the violin. Now the secret is out, how ya doing Lee?... Major Dilorio, the new Hospital CO, gained a lot of admiration from his staff by performing an appendectomy in the record time of 15 minutes, his first such operation in some time. What'll he do when he gets a little practice again? The Major, a skeet shooting enthusiast, will probably want to recruit some more clay pigeon killers for a camp team to vie with the Port... Pfc. Don Miele and Cpl. Red Bellante trying to outdo each other in aquatic skill for the attention of the boys and girls at the Arlington plunge. Bellante won't speak to Don since "The Mole" bested him in a dash across the pool... When T-5 Henry Timmerman sings at the outdoor theater all the Anza neighbors as far away as Colorado avenue go out on their porches to listen to the camp Sinatra... Better price civilian clothes, Bill Quinn. The government is looking for coal miners to send back east to get out the fuel for next winter... Larry Shields and Lt. Manning picking the winners from ward 6... Now that Verrochi's hair is an inch long his friends are sorry they said he looked like Mussolini. They still think he looks like h---. Going into the TC latrine is once more a pleasure now that George Huerta, gent's room commissar is back from furlough...

## Jap Cities Ain't Hay; They're Built of Steel

Don't get the idea that all Japan is going up in flames as incendiaries rain on the enemy's major cities. Many buildings in the enemy homeland are of steel and concrete construction, as fireproof as their counterparts in New York or San Francisco.

Japan has considerable heavy industry, turning out guns, tanks, railroad equipment, and similar products. Articles of this kind are made in sturdy factories which are capable of withstanding aerial assault. These factories and many other Japanese buildings, are not made of straw and paper, as some suppose.

It is true, of course, that the residential areas in Japan are highly inflammable, those of them, that is, which have not already been reduced to ashes. But artillery, generators, and ships are not made in picture-book, toy houses.

### Imperial Hotel Still Stands

Architects from the western lands have helped give Japan her modern buildings. Frank Lloyd Wright, for example, put up the sprawling, yellowish Imperial Hotel, which is still standing, according to aerial photos. Antonin Raymond, a Frenchman, designed some 400 buildings, including office buildings in Tokyo of the Otis Elevator Co., the Dunlop Rubber Co., the Truscan Steel Co. and Japan Steel Products Co. In Yokohama he was architect of the Rising Sun Petroleum Co., and Socony. All these are steel and concrete construction.

Numerous Jap architects learned the principles of modern construction under Wright and Raymond, both here and in their homeland. They continued the work begun by the two Occidental architects.

Their main job was the rebuilding of the Jap cities which were leveled in the great earthquake of 1923. Since the cities were rebuilt to withstand a similar disaster, they are as proof against the ravages of war as modern buildings can be.

### Much of Tokyo Fireproof

A Japanese-American who left Tokyo in 1938, after living there all his life, and who is now a U. S. government advisor, says that Tokyo, for a distance of 3 or 4 miles around the Imperial Palace, is modern and fireproof. Current aerial photos of destruction wrought by B-29s show bridges in this area to be standing. Osaka and Kobe are solid, too, he reports.

## Captain Roos Now Staff Judge Advocate

Captain Armand W. Roos recently doffed the TC insignia to don, instead, the emblem of the Judge Advocate General's Department.

By War Department order he has been detailed to the JAGD and his title here in camp has changed from Acting to Staff Judge Advocate.

## Captain Weaver Gets Release

Captain Gilbert Weaver, Camp Veterinarian, has been relieved from active duty with the Army, to return to his position with the Veterinary Department, State College, at Brookings, South Dakota. Captain Morris Erdheim is now Camp Veterinarian.

## Mrs. Sayre New Club Director

Mrs. Lura Sayre, Camp Anza employe for two years, has been promoted to director of the post service clubs, replacing Mrs. Nell Wightman who has returned to her home in Pennsylvania. Until recently Mrs. Sayre was employed in the Special Services Branch Office.

CNS's informant suspects that the Jap radio is announcing the "destruction" of its cities to lull the Americans into believing that their bombers' work is done, so that they will quit.

Figures on the number of Jap factories are an index of the non-inflammability of many Jap buildings. Not all are fireproof, but obviously those making heavy equipment must be of solid construction.

In 1938, according to semi-official reports, Tokyo had 5,555 metal industry factories and 2263 chemical factories. Osaka had 2287 metallurgical factories, 2661 machinery factories, and 887 chemical factories. Nagoya had 554 concrete buildings and 307 brick buildings. The country's total number of factories was 106,000.

In 1936, the enemy said he had 9 aircraft companies; possibly he had more but wasn't talking about it. The number, whatever it was, compares favorably with ours in that year.

### Good Bomb Shelters

Upton Close, commentator and writer, says Japan has the finest subway system in the world, which make good bomb shelters, and the fastest train in the world. The latter, made at Kawasaki, near Tokyo, goes 700 km., from Dairen to Mukden, Manchukuo, at 120 km. an hour, making only one stop.

And, says Fortune magazine, "A dozen years ago, had the Japanese wanted a turbo-generator... or a heavy electric installation... they'd probably have placed the order in Schenectady, N. Y., and G. E. engineers would have gone to Japan to install it. To fight a war, Japan had to learn to build such equipment herself. She did."

The enemy's current steel production is estimated at 12,000,000 tons, about the same as Russia's. That's not much compared with ours, but don't forget Japan doesn't have to cart it half way 'round the world.

The point here, however, is that steel and steel manufacture and fabricating are not done in flimsy, straw buildings. Remember, brother, that ain't hay.

P.S. The above story was written before the atomic bomb was released upon Japan. We doubt whether even buildings constructed of the strongest steel or concrete can withstand its devastating effect.—Ed.

## End Supervisory Training Course

Fourteen Anza civilian supervisors were presented certificates last week upon completion of a 40 hour supervisory training course taught by James F. Moore, civilian in charge of civilian training. The certificates were presented by Lt. Reginald N. Nickerson who addressed the class. The course consisted of ten hours study each in job management, job methods, job relations and job instruction. Two other classes will be started shortly.

## He's Only 16

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sergeant until coming to Anza for shipment overseas. He had hoped to be sent to the same place as his dad but in the final analysis he is glad he's going back home. His mother has gone back to work and his sister has been in the hospital so "they need me more back home than in the army." As soon as his military record is completed and his birth certificate authenticated "Nicky" will be on his way home for a short vacation before school opens next month.

## Maj. Graney at Frisco

Major Harry F. Graney, Headquarters Commandant and Camp Food and Mess Supervisor, is back from the Presidio of San Francisco where he took a course in mess supervision.



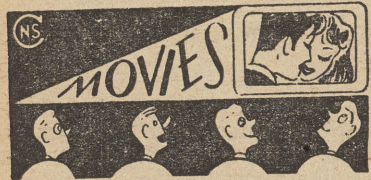
# Zips Slaughter Torney in Opening Tilt at Van Nuys 11-2

## Beslack Hits Homer, Triple And Double

It was Pvt. Ed Kizelevich and Pfc. Bob Beslack vs. Torney General Hospital in the opening round of the Southern Security District softball championships yesterday at Van Nuys, California. Kizelevich pitched and Beslack batted the Zips to an 11-2 slaughter over the medics from Palm Springs.

Beslack in three successive trips to the plate banged out a homer with two on in the first inning, a double with the bases loaded in the third and a triple with nobody on in the fifth. Kizelevich chucked six innings, yielding two runs and four hits, while Beslack tossed the final frame. In all, the Zips combed John Leslie, Torney hurler, for ten hits, Neely's two doubles among them.

Today the Zips tackle the Southern Security District Military Police and if they return victors of that tilt will vie for the championship on Saturday afternoon at 1300.



**THURSDAY, AUG. 9**  
"OVER 21"  
Irene Dunne, Alexander Knox, Charles Coburn, RKO Pathe News, Army, Navy Screen Magazine

**FRIDAY, AUG. 10**  
"ON STAGE EVERYBODY"  
Jack Oakie, Peggy Ryan, Overseas Roundup, Hit Parade

**SATURDAY, AUG. 11**  
"THE SOUTHERNER"  
Zachary Scott, Betty Field, Name Band, Cartoon

**SUNDAY, MONDAY, AUG. 12, 13**  
"GEORGE WHITE'S SCANDALS"  
Jack Haley, Joan Davis, RKO Pathe News, Cartoon

**TUESDAY, AUG. 14**  
"DOUBLE FEATURE"  
"THE GAY SENORITA"  
Jinx Falkenburg, Steve Cochran, ALSO "ARSON SQUAD" Frank Albertson, Robert Armstrong

**WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AUG. 15, 16**  
"GUEST WIFE"  
Claudette Colbert, Don Ameche, RKO Pathe News, Walt Disney Cartoon

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## Kling Most Improved Hitter on Zip Squad

The Zips' most improved hitter has been Lt. Ernest Kling who, in fourteen contests since July 2, has raised his batting average from .244 to .333 to establish himself as a threat to Hank Ribacchi's domination of the hitting department. In 93 times at bat the Finance department officer has hit 31 times, including four homers and seven doubles.



LT. ERNEST KLING

Hammering Hank, who has been in a decided slump, saw his healthy .476 average emaciate to .356, but he still continues to rule the roost, thanks to an early season hitting spree. Zip rooters are hoping Hank will find the plate soon and regain that once hearty percentage.

Hank's prominence at the plate at the start of the season has made him conspicuous by his lack of hitting power recently but other dependable stickers on the squad too have been victims of a hitting famine. On the other hand, some apparently weak hitters have come up fast.

Cpl. Raymond Lee, Captain Alan Feld, Pfc. Robert Beslack, Sgt. William Neely, and Lt. Frederick McGrew all have taken decided cuts in their batting averages.

Corporals Rudolph Meger and Douglas Giles, and T/Sgt. Grover Anderson, batting down the list, are due to be advanced if their batting continues to be on the upgrade. In more than a dozen games Anderson has enriched his average from .184 to .247 and Meger, averaging better than a hit per game, has gone from a lowly .161 to .234. Giles, sub outfielder, has upped his average from .143 to .278.

In the overall picture the Zips have maintained an even batting average of .250 in the aggregate. The fielding average is .943.

Victim of only one loss in 20 games and that when he was regaining his stride after a spell in the hospital, Pitcher Bob Beslack can throw out his chest with a record of 241 strikeouts in 133 innings on the mound. The record shows also that he has allowed only 22 free passes, 36 hits and 15 runs.

Eddie Kizelevich, a newcomer to the Zip ranks, has not been topped in six starts and has fanned 54 opponents in 46 innings of action.

Player	G	AB	H	TB	RBI	R	W	Ave.	PO	A	E
Ribacchi	32	87	31	58	32	28	15	.356	353	23	6
Kling	31	93	31	50	17	27	17	.333	29	48	7
Lee	26	69	21	32	13	20	8	.304	25		
McGrew	27	79	22	30	19	17	3	.278	75	1	9
Giles	16	18	5	6	6	6	3	.278	6		1
Feld	19	52	13	13	9	2	5	.250	110	1	5
Anderson	32	77	19	28	12	15	11	.247	15	11	1
Meger	33	111	26	35	16	19	7	.234	29	2	7
Neely	33	99	23	26	26	20	8	.232	30	51	12
Beslack	24	73	16	21	20	11	6	.219	8	23	1
Kizelevich	8	14	3	4	3	2	4	.214	1	7	
Lindsay	33	80	16	24	14	16	15	.200	45	21	5
Soko'ski	11	14	2	7	1	2	1	.143			
Jones	25	48	6	7	6	9	9	.125	11		2

## Zips Champions Of Riverside League

Before starting their play for the Southern District Championship of the Ninth Service Command the Anza Zips wrapped up the Riverside Softball league crown by blanking the strong Fire Department aggregation 2 to 0 at Evans Field last Thursday evening before a capacity crowd of 2000 screaming fans.

## The Hornets Garner Anza Kegling Title

The Officers Bowling League wound up its summer schedule recently with the second place Green Hornets walloping the Sad Sacks three straight to nab the league championship.

The Hornets were on the beam with some very consistent bowling while the Sad Sacks were definitely off their stride. For the winners Capt. Christianson paved the way with a 529 series. For the Sad Sacks nobody was hot.

The Traffic Jammers took the Commandoes, 2 to 1, as Captain Head celebrated his promotion by blasting out a 190 game. For the losers Captain Stephens was high scorer.

The Big Time Operators flattened the Flat Tires, 2 to 1, in a match which gave them high game of 837. Lt. Nolan surprised everyone by rolling a 203 game while Lt. Ryder had high series with a 523. For the Flat Tires Mr. Kirk, as usual, had high aggregate of 525. The final league standing will be announced on completion of three postponed games.

## Riverside Keglers Beat Anza Rollers

A bowling team, composed of Anza GIs, were defeated three straight by the Riverside team last Sunday evening in town. It was just a case of too much Steve Nagy, who is currently the hottest bowler in Riverside.

The Anza boys had the proverbial 7-10 split against them before they rolled the first ball because Brunner and Overcash failed to appear. Their presence might have made the difference between victory and defeat. However, Barney Kristoffersen agreed to throw in his lot with the soldiers and Pfc. "Topper" Jones realized his desire and found a place on the team also. These two carried the burden of the Anza scoring. Topper was high with games of 187, 192 and 161 for a score of 540. Barney had 529, Swinton 484, Cebulla 480 and Kane 422. Nagy of Riverside bowled 588, ably assisted by Shaw with 532, Loizeau with 514, Mill with 495 and Howlett with 478. A return match is scheduled.

The victory, engineered by pitcher Bob Beslack, marked the windup of the league season so far as the Zips are concerned. They had one more scheduled game with the Casa Blanca team but forfeited the game because they had enough wins to cop the league title, but more so because Coach Feld wanted to give his squad a well earned rest before the district tournament at Van Nuys. The Zips will not participate in the Shaughnessy Playoffs if they fare well in their quest of the NSC championship. If they should be eliminated they will probably enter the playoffs.

In the league-clinching contest with the Firemen the Zips went scoreless in the first two frames but reached Moore, the smoke-eaters' hurler, for three hits in the third inning, scoring one run. Anderson was safe at first on a healthy drive to left field, advancing as Lindsay laid down a perfect bunt for a single. McGrew filled the bases as the center fielder dropped his fly ball. In the process Anderson was nearly trapped between third and home but clambered safely back to the hot corner.

On a squeeze bunt executed by Kling, Anderson scooted home from third with the first run. Lindsay was forced at the plate as he tried to score on Lee's rap to the first baseman. The Zips retired with three men aboard as Ribacchi lifted a high infield fly to the third sacker.

Lt. McGrew provided the spark for the next Zip rally in the sixth as he smacked a grounder through the third baseman's legs. He advanced to second on Kling's sacrifice bunt, took third on Lee's grounder to the pitcher and scored as Ribacchi atoned with a single to short right field.

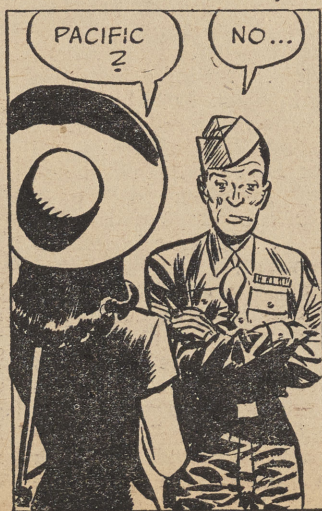
Ruskauff's single in the fifth robbed Pitcher Beslack of a possible no-hitter and also gave the hook and ladder men a new lease on life as he was the first batter up in that inning. Strickland, the next batter, reached first too, by virtue of an error charged to Neely, and the Firemen rooters were in a frenzy. Both runners stole as Ribacchi dropped one of Beslack's express serves. Beslack tightened and caused the next two batters to pop to Meger to relieve the strain. Forsythe made the third out on a pop fly to Kling with the would-be scorers dying on base.

Leading the Zip rooting section were Col. Earle R. Sarles, Camp Commander, and Lt. Col. Walter Johnson, Executive Officer.

## Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

## All Together They Spell "Musher"





## Zip Presents . . .



Pfc. Vernon A. Kline

Vernon A. Kline, musician-composer, is well known for a number of things. He's good looking, good-natured, plays a good tenor saxophone, and a good singer in the same key. What's more, he's probably the only private in the army who drives to work in a Packard—the fruit of off duty tooting. It takes a lot of extra-curricular playing to keep that Packard in tires and gas, too.

Kline's dance orchestra provides smooth, syncopating tunes for social functions at the enlisted men's and officers' clubs. His organization's style is patterned closely to the smooth arrangements of Wayne King, one of Kline's idols. It was King, a former army officer, who recommended Kline to organize

Special Service entertainment for this post when he was inducted via the Arlington Reception Center. Kline hand-picked all the members of his musical organization as they came through the local induction center. Since their inception a couple of years ago they have played a good many GI engagements and their popularity is high on the entertainment scale.

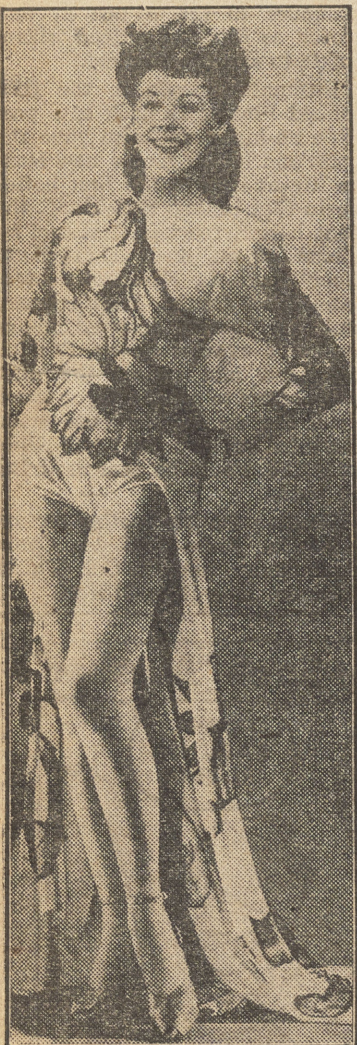
Kline is a Los Angeles product, by way of New York City. His father was an actor in New York years ago, being honorary vice president of Actors Equity, and came to Hollywood to become a shoestring producer, as his son puts it, when Vernon was about eight years old.

Vernon started to play the saxophone and other reed instruments when he was 12 years old, playing in the Beverly High School band. After high school he took two years of a general academic course at the University of Southern California, before embarking on a short career as a traveling musician. He played coast to coast with George Olsen and was a member of the pit orchestra with Noel Coward's troupe, "Tonight at 8:30," in which he even got to say a few lines on the stage. However it is not his ambition to be an actor like his father.

Before the draft caught up with him Vernon was assistant director of musical activities at MGM. The title didn't mean a darn thing, according to Kline, who says that his work consisted of providing incidental music for Metro Goldwyn Mayer films. The scripts were handed to his department and their job was to dig up the background music to fit the scene. Kline wants to go back to this type of work and maybe some day produce his own pictures.

Reading music is not his only talent. He writes it too and can prove that he composed the music of last year's hit tune, "A Fellow on a Furlough," which was published by the Hollywood Victory Committee. He has also written a snappy march, for which there is no title and the 385th Band has played it a couple of times.

The proud possessor of a neat, black Packard, Kline's other burning desire is to own a stable of race horses. He'd even settle for one nag. But that, like his ambition to return to MGM's music department, comes under the heading of postwar plans.



ALL DRESSED UP? Gorgeous Marie McDonald, femme fatale in Sonja Henie's starring Technical romantic skating spectacle, "It's a Pleasure!", makes good her popular title "The Body," dreamed up by columnists.

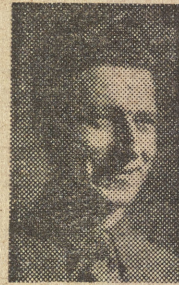
## Band

Things are becoming almost as rough as the rumors have said they would be. Early morn formations five consecutive days, with Cpl. Caprer doing his Paul Revere routine over Arlington and mobilizing the outfit. And shots in between sessions to bring up morale. The sick book begins to look like the band roster. . . . Wednesday marked the end of one full hitch as 385th Bandleader and Impresario for WO (j.g.) Edwin R. Fuller. During those three years the band has gone from a typical GI brass band, with a handful of marches and a couple of Junior High School

overtures, to become a well-balanced, versatile and most ear-pleasing organization. The band has played for every conceivable type of affair, from Hollywood premiere to college programs, and has drawn praise from the most exacting audiences with every form of band music. By his meticulous devotion to our musical growth and his unceasing efforts to correct discrepancies and inadequacies in the contemporary band set-up, the "Chief" has earned well-deserved commendation and the appreciation of the band.

## Headquarters

Since being transferred to the far flung outpost of Area "C", information of and about the boys in TC does not reach yours truly as readily as it has in the past. Unless some of the boys will

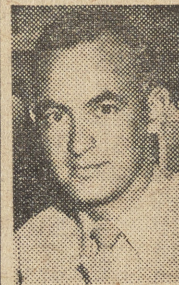


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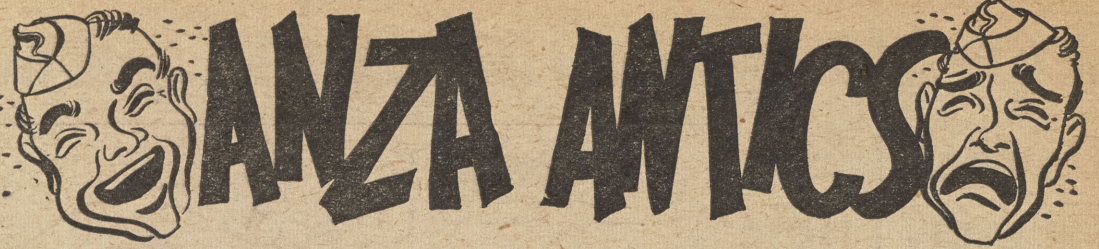
take time to write down a few notes on the happenings and activities of the boys in TC this column will conclude the contributions made by quote, Gents' Room Journalist Jones, unquote. . . . T-5 Frank (The Voice) Yasosky enlightens the office daily with his rendition of the Swoon King Sinatra. . . . Our Station Hospital Area acquires a new title which seems to be very appropriate for the occasion. It is now being called "The Camp Anza Harem." . . . S-Sgt. Lenny "Junior" Nadeau telling her that he stays in camp almost every night—and with a straight face, too. . . . The boys in CWS were brushing up on their ordnance training last week. They say the camp would close down if it wasn't for them. . . . Pfc. Farina has been walking around camp in a daze ever since his cohort, Cpl. Alama, was transferred to Camp Haan. . . . The latrines got a rest from the advances of the AAF boys while they were on TDY with ASF. . . . The battle of the Pfc. is over and the victor, VK, proudly walks away with the spoils. . . . The question of the week: What made the skunk crawl into Sgt. Coles' desk? . . . As this, the Camp Anza version of the Shangri-la Diary, comes to a close, Pfc. Don (The Mole) Miele struggles to become the next author. His underhand methods used to obtain information will be of no benefit, as he will no doubt soon find out.

## MPs

A few cold facts from this twig of life. DO YOU KNOW THAT: Romeo always escorts his girl to her apartment and then leaves her flat. . . . Terry, at one time, was a pilot. You know:



pilot here and pilot there. . . . Schreiber has stopped growing at both ends and is now protruding from the middle. Look for yourself. . . . The boys are more concerned about how many classes they have put in than the number of credit points they have. fact that he never had a car when the juke box and it played "One Meat Ball." . . . Silverberg lays blame of his bachelorship to the T-5 T. Ruggierofact tha the never had a car when he was young. . . . Carty was seen wearing an attractive girlfriend at his last dinner engagement. . . . As long as Anza maintains "Mulligan's Hotel," he will never let any "grass grow under his feet." . . . Hoyt Haney had the conception that the word Buccaneer meant ceiling price on corn. . . . Sgt. Maniscalco is expecting an addition. . . . Yawitz calls his lady-friend "Revenge" because she is "so sweet." . . . Kulina has gone on a diet again—yeh, between each bite. . . . Pat Doherty is covered with gun-powder because of so many hours of reading those action-packed western novels. . . . Six M.P.'s lost their home when those "certain two" journeyed forth on a three months' "refresher course." You'd probably call it "cooling off." . . . Brunner is certainly getting "fat" these days and not at the dinner table either. . . . Cigaret ration could be due to the shortage of labor on the "Tobacco Road." . . . Cyrwus is contemplating working at a race track when this is all over because he enjoys "following the horses" so much. . . . The large majority of us obtain greatest enjoyment from putting in time on the "swing shift." . . . One certain Sergeant's character is spared this week because I couldn't find a suitable word to describe his antics. . . .



## Officers

Headlining last week's news, of course, were the promotions. Ten in all: 6 new captains and 4 new first lieutenants. In an exclusive interview, scooping all dailies (which one?) with all ten officers, we present the following dispatch. In asking each of them to make a statement for the press, our question ran along this theme: "How does it feel to be promoted?" Answered 1st Lt. Howard Kavli: "A bit different!" From 1st Lt. Lester Fitzgerald: "It feels exceedingly good to know that you have been looked out after. The cooperation in this camp is and has been of the best.

Lt. Kuzon

It gives you a good feeling to know that the work of the younger fellows has been noticed." About enough copy to fill this whole page was the response of Capt. Charles Giunta. Boiled down from the effervescence and exuberance, he said: "It's wonderful!" As only he can say it, was Capt. Mark Head's: "Take it easy! It causes you to have a slight headache!" Capt. James Boles: "It's a doggone good deal!" A masterpiece of understatement was Capt. Armand Roos: "I was delighted to get it!" Capt. Alan Feld: "I don't feel a bit different except that payday will be a real event now!" From 1st Lt. Clyde Boyles came: "It's all right! Makes me very happy!" Capt. Joseph Loughrey: "Who ME?" A most erudite and sparkling response was 1st Lt. James Williams: "Huh?" Congratulations—to all of you—from all of us.

## Medics

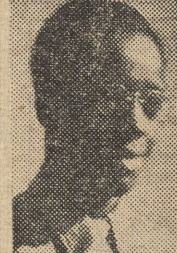
The Medics have taken to our Hospital C.O., Maj. DiIorio, like the drowning man that took to the proverbial straw. His initial talk last Saturday afternoon was like a shot in the arm which put new life into our weary routine. — The same goes for our new Det. C.O., Lt. John Meyer. The half-hearted gripes come from the few—who would weep even if Saint Peter went to OCS. We loathe to dash the misguided illusions of "Songbird" Nightingale and Johnny "Maroon" Miller in regards to Honey-mooning Sgt. Jacobs. — Those were not clouds he was seen floating on in the Arlington Plunge. Those were his leaking water wings. This new sad-sacking pill-roller, Eddie Donyluk, who mixes talent and overemphasis in about equal parts of trouble, reminds us of a chip of old Anza with a Mickey Finn atmosphere. And the same for Red Robertson, another likeable character of the Wild and Woolly West, when a bed-panner was known as a whooping, tooting, needle punching cowboy. We hope these boys stick around just for the entertainment, not just for the potential copy they might produce. The "Brow" Burney was having himself a high old time last Sunday celebrating his birthday with a new sachet to perfume his flopsack, while his inseparable buddy, "Flattop" Winters emerged from his "knock-out-drop" slumber stripped of everything but his freckles and oak leaf. (We hope they were NOT poisoned, too!) Those are brash youths who dare to scoff at Sgt. "Thin Man" Hegg's Swedish brogue and frugal waist. After all, it isn't easy to be a walking mortuary and walk under S-Sgt. "Baby-Face" Fleury who scrubbed in Army operating rooms for four years and still hasn't graduated from an appendectomy. It is with heavy-handed pathos that we watched GRJ Jones' scanty carcass creep for the nearest mental foxhole when he encountered that female wit at Evans Park who labeled him "Frenchy." It was much like the final throes of a dying stink-weed, whose remains were at last edified by the good, clean air.

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## Service

When Cpl. Don Gais first joined us he was the talk of the town; now he has gone down worse than good Gulf Gas. His theme on the keyboard was LAURIE, now it's "I Wonder." You will soon wonder on an LST. . . . Acting Sgt. Joseph V. Johnson and his pal Pfc. Taylor William left the other day on a working detail. Johnson said he would spend his five days delay resting at home. . . . A wireless message reached the Service: Sgt. Strong gave his pal Sgt. Willis away a fortnight ago, so fellows, let's plan a shower for the BRIDE and GROOM. . . . We welcome back



home Pvt. J. R. Rakestraw and T-5 Taylor. Now the gals will know their whereabouts. Sgt. Lawson said that all depends on how you play your cards. Did he play his right? (Figure it out.) . . . The dames will go soldier crazy now, because Melvin Lewis is a Corporal. Congratulations, Cpl. Lewis; keep the good work going. You will make the other one (duration) by means of a jodie. . . . Sgt. "Daddy" Jackson said he loves to hear his baby call his name. She doesn't call plain, but she calls so sweet.